

## **IDAHO CROP & LIVESTOCK PRODUCERS' NEWS**

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### Dear Respondent:

This issue of the Idaho Crop and Livestock Producers' News covers the results of the June 1 Milk Production Report. Total production and number of cows are reported for selected states and the U.S.

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Sincerely,

William R. Meyer Director

# **Idaho Milk Production up 9.0 Percent**

Idaho milk production during May 2006 totaled 936 million pounds, a 9.0 percent increase from the same month last year, and up 52 million pounds from April 2006. Average milk production per cow in May 2006 was 1,930 pounds, up 80 pounds from April 2006, and unchanged from May 2005. The average number of milk cows during May was 485,000 head, up 7,000 head from April 2006, and up 40,000 head from May 2005.

Milk production in the 23 major States during May totaled 14.7 billion pounds, up 2.8 percent from May 2005. April revised production, at 14.2 billion pounds, was up 3.7 percent from April 2005. The April revision represented a decrease of 2 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,782 pounds for May, 22 pounds above May 2005. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.26 million head, 128,000 head more than May 2005, and 19,000 head more than April 2006.

Milk Cows and Production: by Month, Idaho, 2005-2006

Month	Milk Cows 1/		Milk Per Cow 2/		Milk Production 2/		Change	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	From 2005	
	1,000 Head		Pounds		Million Pounds		Percent	
January	436	473	1,830	1,830	798	866	8.5	
February	437	473	1,680	1,670	734	790	7.6	
March	441	476	1,880	1,880	829	895	8.0	
April	443	478	1,850	1,850	820	884	7.8	
May	445	485	1,930	1,930	859	936	9.0	
June	451		1,900		857			
July	460		1,960		902			
August	468		1,940		908			
September	469		1,850		868			
October	470		1,870		879			
November	471		1,790		843			
December	472		1,830		864			
Annual	455		22,332		10,161			

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

Milk Production, Average Number of Cows, Selected States, May 2005-2006

State	Milk Cows 1/		Milk Per Cow 2/		Milk Production 2/		Change
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	From 2005
	1,000 Head		Pounds		Million Pounds		Percent
Arizona	163	173	2,085	2,145	340	371	9.1
California	1,751	1,785	1,880	1,890	3,292	3,374	2.5
Colorado	104	109	1,950	2,000	203	218	7.4
Florida	138	133	1,580	1,600	218	213	-2.3
IDAHO	445	485	1,930	1,930	859	936	9.0
Illinois	104	103	1,660	1,690	173	174	0.6
Indiana	157	166	1,800	1,750	283	291	2.8
Iowa	193	200	1,845	1,790	356	358	0.6
Kansas	112	113	1,815	1,870	203	211	3.9
Kentucky	107	99	1,195	1,260	128	125	-2.3
Michigan	312	319	1,915	1,910	597	609	2.0
Minnesota	455	450	1,610	1,635	733	736	0.4
Missouri	119	116	1,490	1,470	177	171	-3.4
New Mexico	323	356	1,880	1,980	607	705	16.1
New York	646	648	1,665	1,660	1,076	1,076	-
Ohio	270	273	1,595	1,600	431	437	1.4
Oregon	121	121	1,660	1,550	201	188	-6.5
Pennsylvania	565	556	1,675	1,700	946	945	-0.1
Texas	320	330	1,830	1,970	586	650	10.9
Vermont	144	142	1,650	1,630	238	231	-2.9
Virginia	105	103	1,535	1,545	161	159	-1.2
Washington	243	237	2,025	2,025	492	480	-2.4
Wisconsin	1,234	1,242	1,630	1,655	2,011	2,056	2.2
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TOTAL	8,131	8,259	1,760	1,782	14,311	14,714	2.8

<sup>1/</sup> Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

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